

84TH CONGRESS
1ST SESSION

H. CON. RES. 30

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

JANUARY 17, 1955

Mr. BECKER submitted the following concurrent resolution; which was referred to the Committee on Rules

CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

1 *Resolved by the House of Representatives (the Senate*
2 *concurring)*, That there is hereby established a Joint Com-
3 mittee on Intelligence Matters to be composed of nine Mem-
4 bers of the Senate to be appointed by the President of the
5 Senate, and nine Members of the House of Representatives
6 to be appointed by the Speaker of the House of Representa-
7 tives. In each instance not more than five Members shall
8 be members of the same political party.

9 SEC. 2. The joint committee shall make continuing
10 studies of the intelligence activities and problems relating
11 to the gathering of intelligence affecting the national se-
12 curity and of its coordination and utilization by the various

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1 departments, agencies, and instrumentalities of the Govern-
2 ment. The Central Intelligence Agency and related intelli-
3 gence services shall keep the joint committee fully and
4 currently informed with respect to their activities. All bills,
5 resolutions, and other matters in the Senate or the House of
6 Representatives relating primarily to the Central Intelligence
7 Agency and related intelligence services shall be referred
8 to the joint committee. The members of the joint committee
9 who are Members of the Senate shall from time to time
10 report to the Senate, and the members of the joint com-
11 mittee who are Members of the House of Representatives
12 shall from time to time report to the House, by bill or
13 otherwise, their recommendations with respect to matters
14 within the jurisdiction of their respective Houses which are
15 (1) referred to the joint committee or (2) otherwise within
16 the jurisdiction of the joint committee.

17 SEC. 3. Vacancies in the membership of the joint com-
18 mittee shall not affect the power of the remaining members
19 to execute the functions of the joint committee, and shall be
20 filled in the same manner as in the case of the original
21 selection. The joint committee shall select a chairman and
22 a vice chairman from among its members.

23 SEC. 4. The joint committee, or any duly authorized
24 subcommittee thereof is authorized to hold such hearings,

1 to sit and act at such places and times, to require, by sub-
2 pena or otherwise, the attendance of such witnesses and the
3 production of such books, papers, and documents, to admin-
4 ister such oaths, to take such testimony, to procure such
5 printing and binding, and to make such expenditures as it
6 deems advisable. The cost of stenographic services to report
7 such hearings shall not be in excess of 25 cents per hundred
8 words.

9 SEC. 5. The joint committee is empowered to appoint
10 such experts, consultants, technicians, and clerical and sten-
11 ographic assistants as it deems necessary and advisable.
12 The committee is authorized to utilize the services, informa-
13 tion, facilities, and personnel of the departments and estab-
14 lishments of the Government.

15 SEC. 6. The expenses of the joint committee, which
16 shall not exceed \$ per year, shall be paid one-half
17 from the contingent fund of the Senate and one-half from
18 the contingent fund of the House of Representatives upon
19 vouchers signed by the chairman. Disbursements to pay
20 such expenses shall be made by the Secretary of the Senate
21 out of the contingent fund of the Senate, such contingent
22 fund to be reimbursed from the contingent fund of the House
23 of Representatives in the amount of one-half of the disburse-
24 ment so made.

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